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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR EAID MR MO

SUBJECT: THIRD MOROCCAN AID MISSION VISIT

REF: NOUAKCHOTT 288

1. THIRD MOROCCAN "ECONOMIC DELEGATION", SINCE DECEMBER HASSAN-OULD DADDAH SUMMIT AT FEZ, ARRIVED IN NOUAKCHOTT MARCH 5 FOR 36-HOQR VISIT. AS WITHH AST TWO DELEGATIONS, FORMER PRIMIN KARIM AL AMRANI, DIRECTOR OF PHOSPATES, HEADED MISSION WHICH INCLUDED TAIB BEN CHEIKH, MINISTER IN CHARGE OF PLAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT. DURING AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE SPOKESMAN FOR DELEGATION SAID PURPOS OF VISIT IS TO COMPLETE STUDY OF "CERTAIN POINTS IN THE PROGRAM OF COOPERATION ESTABLISHED AT FEZ." NOUAKCHOTT INFORMATION, GOVERNMENT NEWSSHEET, DESCRIBED COOPERATION UNDER STUDY AS "MULTIFORM" BUT DID LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NOT ELABORATE. NEXT MOROCCAN-MAURITANIAN ECONOMIC

COOPERATION CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT RABAT. NO DATE  
WAS ANNOUNCED.

2. AS REPORTED REFTEL, MOROCCANS HAVE ALREADY TABLED  
50 MILLION DOLLAR OFFER TO ASSIST WITH DEBTS OF GIRM'S  
RECENTLY ACQUIRED COPPER MINE. GIRM OFFICIAL HAS TOLD  
US THAT MOROCCANS ALSO OFFERED TO BUILD AND OPERATE  
HOTEL IN MAURITANIA BUT, LIKE COPPER MINE OFFER, GIRM  
DECLINED CLAIMING IT INVOLVED TOO MUCH FOREIGN CONTROL  
OF A MAURITANIAN ENTERPRISE.

3. COINCIDENT WITH AND, APPARENTLY, RELATED TO ARRIVAL  
MOROCCAN DELEGATION AT NOUAKCHOTT WAS DEPARTURE FOR RABAT  
OF MAURITANIAN FINANCE MINISTER SOUMARE DIAROMOUNA.  
NOUAKCHOTT INFORMATION ANNOUNCED MARCH 7 THAT MINISTER  
HAD SIGNED IN RABAT A MOROCCAN-MAURITANIAN TECHNICAL  
ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WHICH INCLUDES 15 MILLION DO

LOAN. LOAN WAS DESCRIBED ONLY AS HAVING "EXTREMELY  
FAVORABLE CONDITIONS" AND BEING "IMMEDIATELY OPERABLE."

4. COMMENT: CONSIDERING THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF PROJECTS  
IN THIS IMPOVERISHED DESERT TERRITORY IT IS NOTEWORTHY  
THAT MOROCCANS AND MAURITANIANS HAVE, APPARENTLY, NOT  
YET BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY OBJECTIVE FOR THEIR "COOPERATION."

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